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Application of: De Keezer, et al

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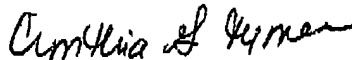
The Commissioner of Patents  
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Washington, DC 20231

## PETITION FOR A THREE -MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), applicants hereby petition that the period for response to the Office Action dated December 19, 2002, be extended for three months to and including June 19, 2003.

Please charge the fee pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17 (a)(3) in the amount of \$930.00 to Dade Behring's Deposit Account # 04-0010. Please apply any other charges or any credits to our Deposit Account number.

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